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There were 49 Fires and 55 Incipient Fires during the year, as against 76 and 95 in 1902. The Brigade turned out 60 times during the year.

The estimated damage caused by Fires was \$248,000 and by Incipient Fires \$2,764.

There was only an intermittent supply of water in the mains from 1st January to 6th May, and from 21st December to 21st December, during which period sea water was used as much as possible in order to save the fresh water.

One serious Fire occurred, during the period of intermittent water supply, on 4th April at No. 271, Queen's Road West, where five houses were wholly destroyed, and the total damage was estimated at \$20,000 most of which was covered by insurance. Three Fires occurred in the Harbour during the year.

A case of attempted arson was discovered at No. 205, Queen's Road West, on the morning of the 18th April by P.C. 202, Wong I, who raised an alarm and with the assistance of the occupants of the ground floor extinguished the Fire before much damage was done. The master of the tailor's shop on the first floor and his wife were prosecuted for arson. The two defendants were found guilty and sentenced to seven years and six months imprisonment with hard labour respectively at the Criminal Sessions.

A Fire Escape arrived from England on the 17th November and is stationed at 30th Point.

The conduct of the Brigade is as follows.

The Superintendent of the Brigade, Mr. Badley, left for England on leave on 18th March, since when I acted for him. Mr. Wodehouse acted as Assistant Superintendent up to 30th November and Mr. Halliday from the 1st December.

Chief Inspector Baker, was appointed 2nd Assistant Superintendent on the 18th April in succession to Chief Inspector Markie, who retired on pension. I regret to record the death of Mr. Robertson, the Assistant Engineer, which took place on the 25th July. He was a very useful officer, and his death occasioned a great loss to the Brigade.

Sergeant McSwaney acted as Assistant Engineer up to 17th September, and Sergeant McDonald since that date. It has been suggested by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government that there should be an annual competition. This should give a zest to the drills and tend towards smartness and efficiency.

An Assistant Engineer, with practical Fire Brigade experience, is expected from England this year. This appointment should be of great advantage to the Brigade.

A New Fire Brigade Station is much to be desired. The present one is too small for the increased requirements, and its position in a busy thoroughfare, hampers the hose drills and causes obstruction. A new and convenient site has been suggested, but will not be available for some time. Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, Section 149, necessitates the provision of Fire Escape for all new houses (and for previously existing buildings in three years) for every storey more than forty feet from the ground.

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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Egerton	Hongkong
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Albatross	water tank and tug	5600	11	9600	Captain Robert H. S. Stokes	Singapore
Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Wellington
Albatross	cruiser, 2nd class	360	6	5700	Comdr. P. V. Lawes, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	18,500	Captain W. A. Carter	Wellington
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Com. H. L. Wall	Wellington
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	275	6	4000	Comdr. J. D. Daintree	Shanghai
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	290	6	3900	Lieut.-Comdr. C. Aaser	Wellington
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	—	31,500	Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Powell	Yangtze-Kiang
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	180	2	800	Hon. N. G. Stopford	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	12,950	16	18,500	Lt.-Comdr. G. G. Webster	Yangtze-Kiang
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	350	6	5300	Lt.-Com. G. G. Oodington	Yangtze
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	1015	6	1400	Commander W. H. Nicholson	Yangtze
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	930	10	1400	Captain Morris H. Smyth	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	85	2	240	Com. D. St. A. Wake	Canton
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	930	6	1400	Lt.-Com. John P. Irwin	West River
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	85	2	240	Comdr. T. Jackson	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	3600	8	9000	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Yangtze
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtze
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	355	6	6300	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	290	6	6500	Captain Lewis Bayly	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	5600	11	9600	Commodore Dicken	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	4550	6	—	Lt.-Comdr. E. V. Dugmore	Yangtze
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	180	2	800	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Wellington
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	3400	8	9900	Lieut. Forbes	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	363	3	290	Capt. Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Singapore
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	12,950	16	18,500	Comdr. S. St. John Fawcett	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	930	10	1400	Lieut.-Comdr. A. B. Barker	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	355	6	6300	Lt.-Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	820	—	450	In Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	380	6	5900	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Somerville	Hongkong
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. W. Mason	Yangtze
Albatross	cruiser, 1st class	150	2	550		Yangtze

\* Flag of Admiral Sir Cyprian A. G. Bridge, K.O.B., Commander-in-Chief.

+ Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C.B., C.M.G.

## Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at.
Aspern	Austrian cruiser	962	—	—	Capt. Friedrich Grunzenherzen	Choofoo
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austrian cruiser	4000	—	—	Captain Mirth	Choofoo
Acheron	French gunboat	1798	—	—	Captain Laferriere	Haiphong
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Canton
Argus	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Crespin	Haiphong
Aspic	French gunboat	580	—	—	Commander Journet	Haiphong
Avialanche	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Heron	Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lafere	Shanghai
Bugaud	French cruiser	8018	18	—	Captain V. Poidlons	Changhai
Chateaufort	French gunboat	525	—	—	Commander Louet	Haiphong
Cometa	French gunboat	680	—	—	Commander Guthrie	Haiphong
Decidee	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. Le Galleur	Haiphong
Kersaint	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Bécus	Haiphong
Lion	French gunboat	9700	12	19,600	Captain Arce	Haiphong
Montcalm	French cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. Hurst	Shanghai
Stys	French gunboat	4015	27	8500	Captain Seals	Changhai
Pascal	French cruiser	9437	8	6071	Capt. Vincent	Haiphong
Redoutable	French cruiser	1798	10	—	Captain Thomas	Haiphong
Surprise	French gunboat	629	2	900	Lieut. Gaillard	Haiphong
Takiang	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Biand	Haiphong
Takou	French destroyer	—	—	—	Lieut. Carol	Haiphong
Vauban	French gunboat	—	—	—	Co. adr. Villeneuve	Haiphong
Vigilant	French gunboat	400	4	441	Comdr. Huss	Amoy
Vipero	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Prowe	Hongkong
Bussard	German cruiser	1857	15	2900	Comdr. von Studnitz	Shanghai
Fürst Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Capt. van Sonneren	Kinchow
Geier	German cruiser	1775	15	2900	Capt. Baron Schimmelmann	Hongkong
Hansa	German cruiser	6000	34	10,000	Capt. Baron M. Hüllessem	Shanghai
Hertha	German cruiser	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Tsobe
Ilus	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Kronsack	Hongkong
Jaquar	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Pasper	Hongkong
Luchs	German gunboat	1629	15	2800	Comdr. Pontius	Shanghai
Missa	German gunboat	1640	15	2800	Comdr. Delmberg	Changhai
Scendalar	German cruiser	900	10	1300	Lieut.-Comdr. von Weloe	Shanghai
Tiger	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Dick	Shanghai
Vorwaerts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Volcetti	Hongkong
Thetis	German cruiser	2730	10	7471	Captain Duozene	Shanghai
Elba	Italian cruiser	2427	34	12,000	Captain Zani	Shanghai
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	4500	24	6820	Capt. Cail	Nagasaki
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	6500	18	13,000	Captain Diego de St.	Macao
Victor Pisani	Italian cruiser	720	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barboza Leal	Macao
Dia	Portuguese gunboat	800	—	—	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Gramatchikoff	Port Arthur
Alcantara	Russian gunboat	2800	5	4700	Capt. Roitzschke	Port Arthur
Aleout	Russian cruiser	6000	27	16,500	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Asakod	Russian cruiser	7800	10	—	Comdr. Erjckovitch	Port Arthur
Bayan	Russian cruiser	3200	6	1150	Capt. Nasarowsky	Port Arthur
Bayaria	Russian cruiser	1050	8	—	Comdr. Yuriev	Port Arthur
Bobro	Russian gunboat	6540	12	—	Comdr. Zagarsky	Port Arthur
Bogetyr	Russian cruiser	6751	6	—	Captain Jensen	Vladivostok
Diana	Russian gunboat	1458	3	1700	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Digball	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Strelitz	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Captain Jensen	Vladivostok
Strelitzschy	Russian gunboat	12,384	44	14,500	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Gromobit	Russian cruiser	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Gulailk	Russian gunboat	1215	7	1500	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Korowet	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Mandjone	Russian gunboat	10,306	12	9000	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Navarin	Russian cruiser	3000	6	17,000	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Norik	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Oberejny	Russian gunboat	12	12	—	Comdr. Ruzov	Vladivostok
Pallada	Russian cruiser	12,674	12	14,500	Captain Koroleff	Port Arthur
Perevriat	Russian battleship	10,960	18	10,000	Captain Jakovlev	Port Arthur
Petrovavlovsk	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Capt. Zatarodine	Port Arthur
Pobeda	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,000	Captain Oseoff	Port Arthur
Poltava	Russian battleship	1334	10	1788	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthur
Preobryzsk	Russian cruiser	12,902	18	16,000	Captain Sepevolonpoff	Port Arthur
Relizian	Russian cruiser	12,200	68	17,000	Capt. Matsuevich	Vladivostok
Rosia	Russian protected cruiser	10,923	26	12,350	Captain Serebrennikoff	Port Arthur
Rurik	Russian protected cruiser	10,940	16	10,000	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Savastopol	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Stitch	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1120	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Sivooth	Russian battleship	12,800	36	16,300	Capt. Bahr	Port Arthur
Tsarvitch	Russian cruiser	667	27	20,000	Comdr. Agoroff-Klase	Port Arthur
Varyag	Russian cruiser	500	9	3840	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Vladik	Russian cruiser	1250	15	1194	Capt. J. H. Rodgers	Shanghai
Zabiyaka	Russian cruiser	3500	—	—	Lieut. M. L. Miller	Hongkong
Albany	U. S. cruiser	1000	6	1227	Capt. H. E. Mason	Singapore
Annapolis	U. S. gunboat	235	—	—	Captain Densiff	Shanghai
Callio	U. S. cruiser	3313	—	1600	Lt.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Cincinnati	U. S. gunboat	1150	—	—	Capt. Stanton	Shanghai
Don Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	940	—	—	Captain R. M. Berry	Shanghai
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	1322	—	1988	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. gunboat	11,600	41	10,000	Comdr. Denfield	Taken
Menaduck	U. S. flagship	3990	6	3000	Comdr. W. H. Beahler	Canton
Monckton	U. S. monitor	1870	6	850	Comdr. Blockings	Shanghai
Monoway	U. S. gunboat	4084	4	6844	Captain Bessell	Shanghai
Monterey	U. S. monitor	3427	30	—	Comdr. G. E. Dyer	Shanghai
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	10,288	46	2000	Captain Nazro	Shanghai
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,000	—	—	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	3213	—	—	Lieut. E. C. Barlowe	Shanghai
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	1000	18	1118	Comdr. U. B. Hager	Shanghai
Vicksburg	U. S. cruiser	400	—	—	Comdr. U. B. Hager	Shanghai
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	1897	2	1894	Comdr. U. B. Hager	Shanghai
Winnington	U. S. gunboat	1897	2	1894	Comdr. U. B. Hager	Shanghai



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**MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.**  
Amusements

9 p.m. - A. D. C. Performance at the City Hall.  
Miscellaneous.

Transfer Books of Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 24th March, inclusive.  
Transfer Books of China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., close from this date to the 24th March, inclusive.

General Memoranda.  
SATURDAY, March 12.  
9.30 p.m. Auction of Valuable House-  
hold Furniture, &c., at Mr. G. F. F.  
Laurier's Sales Rooms.  
Goods per *Benjamin* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, March 13.  
Goods per *Armand* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.  
3 p.m. - Auction of Crown Lands at the  
Public Works Department's Offices.  
Goods per *Beauchamp* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, March 15.  
9.45 p.m. Auction of Household Fur-  
niture, &c., at No. 48, Morrison Hill  
Road.  
Goods per *Suzanne* undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, March 16.  
Goods per *Mabeca* not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.  
Transfer Books of China & Manila Steam-  
ship Co., Ltd., close from this date to the  
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Chateau Mouton D'Armailhacq ...	24.	26.
Chateau Poutet Canet ...	28.	—
Chateau La Tour Canet ...	33.	—
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Chateau Lafite ...	54.	—

**A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,**  
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March 6, 1904.

**BIRTHS.**  
On the 27th February, at No. 1 Bond,  
Yokohama, the wife of HENRY IRVING  
BELL, of a Daughter.  
At Sago, Japan, on the 24th February,  
the wife of the Rev. H. V. S. PEEK, of a  
Daughter.

The publication of this issue commenced  
at 6.20 p.m.

**The China Mail.**

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1904.

**EDITORIAL COMMENT.**

The registration of ser-  
vants is a well-known  
topic, but it is one of  
perennial interest to  
every Hongkong house-  
hold. It is in the household that the  
European resident of Hongkong is first  
to face with the Chinaman in his worst  
form, and it is not oversteering the case  
to say that it is the constant worry with  
domestic servants that is responsible for  
the majority of the European house-  
wife's petty annoyances and consequent  
breakdown of health. There was, there-  
fore, universal disappointment when the  
Acting Governor—himself an advocate  
of registration a few years ago—ex-  
plained his inability to accede to the  
request of the petition of the ladies of  
Hongkong praying for registration of  
servants. The Hongkong correspondent  
of the *N.C. Daily News* thus referred  
to the subject some time ago: "The stout  
laugh upon which the ladies of Hongkong  
thought they were leaning has proved to be  
a broken reed. H. E. the Officer Administering  
the Government having rejected their peti-  
tion praying for the registration of  
domestic servants. This is a severe  
blow to housekeepers here, as their lot  
is really a hard one, the question of  
domestic economy being more than they  
can tackle under existing circum-  
stances. It had always been fully under-  
stood that H. E. Mr. May was in favour  
of registration, and with him at the  
helm the ladies felt sure of having their  
petition granted. Now matters will be  
worse than ever as the servants get to  
know, as assuredly they must and will,  
that the petition has failed; they will  
be more insolent, lazy, and independ-  
ent than ever, and the last state of  
mistresses will be worse than the first."  
We notice that Captain F. W. Lyons,  
Acting Superintendent of Police for the  
past year, deals with the subject of  
domestic servants in his report for  
1903. He says: "Larcenies by ser-  
vants were numerous. In some of the  
more serious cases, the police were  
successful in tracing the thieves and  
recovering most of the property stolen.  
It would greatly assist the police in  
such cases if it were customary for  
persons when engaging servants to  
obtain their photographs and their  
names, parents' names and addresses  
in Chinese characters. A photograph  
album of servants who have been  
convicted is now kept by the police,  
and may be inspected by anyone.  
The more frequent application of  
Ordinance No. 45 of 1902 and No.  
11 of 1903 would have a good effect.  
75 persons were prosecuted in 1903  
under the former Ordinance, and 29  
persons under the latter. The easy  
access to houses by means of rain-  
pipes, &c., is a constant source of  
trouble." With all respect to Captain  
Lyons and the other officials who think  
along the same lines as he does, we  
think better results would be got from  
registration than from a stricter ap-  
plication of the Ordinances he quotes.  
We believe it is an axiom of wide  
acceptation that prevention is better  
than cure; and if by registration we  
could prevent our domestic servants  
from developing dishonest habits, we  
venture to think it would be better  
for the community. The prosecution  
of servants for the offences legislated  
against in Ordinance 45 of 1902 and  
11 of 1903 is likely to result in sending  
to prison young men who have not  
hitherto associated with the criminal  
classes. Experience teaches that where  
respectable men have been sent to  
prison in England for petty offences  
they have frequently developed into  
dangerous criminals—men whose hand  
is against every other man—and the  
total result is brutalising to the men  
and the creation of new dangerous  
elements in society. We do not say  
that the registration of domestic  
servants will cure all diseases, but it  
will have at least a deterring effect  
upon petty pilfering and will lead to  
more willing and satisfactory service  
from Chinese "domestics." Larcenies  
by servants were numerous. In these  
five words, Captain Lyons sets forth  
the best argument for registration.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

### Earthquake.

A slight shock of earthquake was felt  
at Yokohama on February 26.

### Hockey.

A Hockey team from H. M. S. *Porpoise*  
defeated the Hongkong Hockey Club by  
four goals to one. The match was played  
at Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon.

### A Military Wedding.

Sergeant Thornhill, R.E., and Miss  
Austin were married at St. John's Cathed-  
ral yesterday. The officiating clergyman  
was the Rev. F. T. Johnson. Miss R.  
Varcoe was bridesmaid and Staff-Sergeant  
G. H. Taylor, R.E., was best man.

### Manchester Regiment.

A draft of the Manchester Regiment,  
205 strong, arrived at Singapore on the  
28th ult. from South Africa per s.s. *Sutra*.  
Capt. Wright and Lieut. Makin and Harris  
in charge. These officers will return pre-  
sently to South Africa to rejoin their bat-  
talion there, the 3rd.

### Discipline in Victoria Gaol.

Captain F. W. Lyons, Acting Super-  
intendent of Victoria Gaol, reports that in  
1903 the average number of punishments for  
breaches of prison discipline was 2.1 per  
prisoner as compared with 3.42 in the  
previous year. Notwithstanding the  
overcrowded state of the Gaol, the average  
number of reports has been the lowest on  
record, and speaks well for the maintenance  
of discipline throughout the prison. There  
were eight whippings—5 with the birch, 3  
with the cat-o-nine tails.

### Band at King Edward Hotel.

By kind permission of Lt. Col. Ire-  
monger and Officers, the Band of the 93rd  
Burmah Infantry will play the following  
programme of music at the above Hotel,  
during dinner, on Friday, the 11th inst.:—  
March: "On the Road" (Ori Hume  
Overture); "Semiramide" (Rossini  
Selection); "Le Torsador" (Adam  
Song); "Am Meer" (Schubert  
Selection); "Reminiscences of the  
Plantation" (Chambers  
Valse); "Revue" (Polka).  
Polonaise: "Le Thier"  
GOD SAVE THE KING.

### The Chinese and the 'Mandjour'.

The *China Gazette* of the 3rd inst. says:—  
The *Mandjour* question has assumed a  
rather more interesting phase owing to the  
arrival of five newest vessels of the Peking  
Squadron from Kiangyin, namely, the  
Armstrong cruisers *Haiden* and *Haichi* and  
the Steffen cruisers *Haiden* and *Haichew*,  
and the *Feiyang*. The *Haichi*, Commodore  
Sah's flagship, came up the river and  
anchored a little below the Yangtse-  
poo Creek, while the *Feiyang* took up a  
berth lower down the river. The other  
three vessels remain at Woosung. It is re-  
ported that their arrival is connected with  
China's determination to force the Russian  
cruiser *Mandjour* to observe neutrality in  
the Port of Shanghai either by disarming  
or leaving. The *Tsuihai* addressed a still  
stronger despatch yesterday to the captain  
upon the subject, but we have not heard  
what result, except that the *Mandjour*  
remains just where and as she was.

### Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice  
Memorial and Netherese Hospitals begs  
to acknowledge with thanks the following  
donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—  
Bartfield & Swire ... \$100  
Y. H. Deacon ... 100  
H. K. & Shanghai Banking Corp'n. ... 100  
Ja. Jine, Matheson & Co. ... 100  
Reiss & Co. ... 100  
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. ... 75  
W. B. Dixon ... 50  
Kwok Ching Chun ... 50  
C. A. Tomes ... 50  
Lan Wai Chun ... 50  
J. Goosmann ... 25  
Shi Shing Paper Manuf. Co., Ltd. ... 10  
P. H. H. ... 5  
T. C. G. ... 5  
P. S. J. ... 5  
R. S. P. ... 5

### Crime in Hongkong.

We learn from the report of Captain  
F. W. Lyons, Acting Superintendent of  
the Police Force, that, in 1903, 11,251 cases  
were reported to the police as against 10,421  
in 1902, being an increase of 830, or 7.91  
per cent. In the division of these cases  
into serious and minor offences, there ap-  
pears to be an increase, as compared with  
1902, of 863 serious cases or 21.58 per cent.,  
and a decrease of 33 or .31 per cent. in  
minor offences. The increase in serious  
cases is shown as follows:—Murder 4,  
Robbery 33, Burglary or Larceny in dwell-  
ing 80, Kidnapping and other offences un-  
der the Protection of Women and Girls  
Ordinance 16, Piracy 1, Unlawful posses-  
sion 36, Larceny 539. Felonies not already  
given 156; total 864. It will be seen from  
these figures that the increase in crime was  
principally in respect of larceny. There  
was, however, a great improvement during  
the last quarter of the year, especially in  
November and December.

### He Found Relief

GEORGE RUDKIN, Town Clerk,  
Kumata, New Zealand, says:—"I  
have very great pleasure in stating that,  
having used Chamberlain's Pain Balm in a  
very severe attack of rheumatism, I found  
immediate relief. Had before tried many  
other embrocations for the same purpose,  
but found this the most efficacious.  
Several of my friends who have been  
afflicted with rheumatism have, on my  
advice, tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm  
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recommend it to those in need of a good  
household liniment or embrocation. For  
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

### Notes by the Way.

There are about 4000 miles of canals in  
England.

The prisoners in Victoria Gaol earned  
\$31,488.81 last year.

The average annual cost per prisoner  
in Victoria Gaol is \$113.33.

Mr John Fowler, U.S. Consul in  
Chefoo, has been promoted to the rank of  
Consul General.

The Parcel mail for Europe per s.s.  
*Coromandel* will close punctually at 3 p.m.  
to-morrow, Friday.

The Japanese authorities have called  
upon the Chinese Government to stop the  
sale of flour at Tientsin to Russia. It is  
stated that Yuan Shi-kai has issued orders  
to prevent 6000 bags of flour being sent to  
Port Arthur.

### A Billiard Champion.

Mr R. W. Buddell has won the Sing-  
apore Club billiard championship for the  
third consecutive time, and now perman-  
ently retains the trophy.

### Fixed Standard for China.

The *Shanghai Mercury* contains the  
following important statement:—The  
Board of Revenue have fixed upon seven  
mace three candareens as the uniform  
standard of coinage. Next year gold coins  
will be minted.

### Limewashing.

The limewashing return for the for-  
night ended March 7, laid on the table at  
the Sanitary Board meeting to-day, showed  
that 327 houses were washed since last re-  
port, making a total of 3263 for the year.  
There were 31 prosecutions and fines  
amounted to \$481.

### Water Analysis.

At a meeting of the Sanitary Board  
to-day, the report on the water in the  
Kowloon, Pokfulam and Cheungshawan  
services was laid on the table. It showed  
the water to be of excellent quality,  
there being no traces of sewage or poisonous  
metals in it.

### Rat Return.

During the fortnight ended March 7,  
515 rats were caught in Victoria and 185 in  
Kowloon, 14 of the former and 4 of the  
latter being plague-infected, a percentage of  
2.63. The percentage of infected rats in  
the preceding fortnight was 4.206. In 1903  
the total number of rats caught was  
101,047 of which 3,742 were infected.

### The Russo-Chinese Bank Frauds.

The *Shanghai Mercury* reports:—R.  
Littmann, who was to have been sent to  
Tsingtao to undergo his term of imprison-  
ment, has petitioned the Acting Con-  
sul General for Germany for leave to serve  
his sentence in Shanghai. Mr Macneus has  
granted the prayer of the petitioner pend-  
ing the return of Dr Knappe, Consul  
General.

### Mortality in Hongkong.

The mortality statistics laid on the  
table at the Sanitary Board meeting showed  
that during the first four weeks in January  
494 deaths took place in Hongkong, being  
a percentage of 15.03 per 1000 inhabi-  
tants. The percentage during the same  
period last year was 18.5 per 1000. Chest  
affections were responsible for 119 deaths;  
fever carried off 22, while there were no  
cases of plague.

### Another Deal in Steamers.

The *Singapore Free Press* states that  
Messrs Tan Kim Tian and Sons' fleet of  
steamers, consisting of the *Grang Seru*,  
*Giang Bee*, *Giang Ann*, *Zuenna* and the  
*Fleco*, has been sold to the Norddeutscher  
Lloyd of Bremen, of which Messrs Behn,  
Meyer and Co. are the managing agents in  
Singapore. The steamers will be transferred  
and put under the German flag in April;  
the first four boats will continue on the  
Singapore-Java run and the *Fleco* on the  
east coast.

### A Japanese Naval Funeral.

The funeral of the late Lieutenant  
Mura, of the battleship *Yagi*, was to take  
place at Sasebo last week (says the *Kobe  
Herald*). The officer was blown to pieces  
by a shell from the Russian fort during the  
general attack at Port Arthur on the 9th  
February. Only a piece of his leather belt  
was left on the bridge. The sword and  
overcoat worn by the officer, and his  
photograph, taken some time ago, are there-  
fore to be interred with full Naval honours,  
in place of the officer's remains.

### The Tientsin Editor.

Until we get further news (says the  
*Shanghai Mercury*), we refrain from criti-  
cising the action of the British Consul-  
General at Tientsin in ordering Mr J.  
Cowan, editor of the *China Times*, to find  
security and threatening him with deporta-  
tion if he refuses. He was, apparently,  
accused by the military authorities of abet-  
ting the Russian troops. The telegram  
does not state what military authorities  
prosecuted, so we conclude it is the Rus-  
sian. If the editor is prosecuted for merely  
criticising the troops (as Russia during the  
time of war, we have no hesitation in saying  
that the Consul-General has overstepped  
his power. If it is under such circum-  
stances, we do not blame the editor for  
refusing to find security.

## TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.]  
SUPPLIED BY REUTER, VIA BOMBAY.

### THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

#### VLADIVOSTOCK TERRORISED.

##### Inhabitants Fleeing.

LONDON, March 9.  
The inhabitants of Vladivostock are  
in a state of panic, and most of the  
women and children are being sent  
inland for safety. The schools are also  
being removed from the town to new  
centres.

The price of foodstuffs has risen  
exorbitantly, and famine rates are  
being charged for them.

#### COREAN RAILWAY.

##### Construction Commenced.

The construction of the railway from  
Seoul, the capital of Corea, to Wiju,  
an important town on the southern  
bank of the Yalu, has been commenced.

[Wiju is the most important town on the  
north-west frontier of Corea, and is situated  
on the Yalu River, about 200 miles distant  
from Seoul. The construction of the rail-  
way from Fusan to Seoul is almost com-  
pleted. When the line is finished, railway  
communication will be established between  
Liaoyang, on the Port Arthur-Harbin line,  
and Fusan, thus placing Fusan in direct  
railway communication with the Trans-  
Siberian Railway.—Ed., C.M.]

[CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE.]

#### ANOTHER BOMBARDMENT.

##### Port Arthur and Dally Shelled.

(From Our Special War Correspondent.)  
Tokio, March 9.

The Japanese have made another  
attack on Port Arthur, and have  
bombed Dally also.

The bombardment commenced last  
night (March 8), and was continued  
to-day.

The result of the attack is, as yet,  
unknown here.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

#### THE BOMBARDMENT OF VLADIVOSTOCK.

LONDON, March 8.

Further despatches from Admiral Alexieff  
state the bombardment did no serious dam-  
age and there were no losses in the for-  
tifications. In town one woman was killed  
and a seaman wounded. The enemy  
re-appeared for a short time yesterday.

#### FRANCE AND THE WAR.

The Paris Municipality has voted Frs.  
20,000 in aid of the Russian and Japanese  
wounded, which sum has been sent to St.  
Petersburg with an address hoping for the  
success of Russia.

#### FISCAL POLICY.

LONDON, March 8.

Mr Balfour in the House of Commons  
said it was not intended to deal with the  
Fiscal Policy in the present Parliament.

#### CRICKET.

Australia won the fifth test match by 218  
runs.

#### THE DUTIES OF NEUTRALS.

Mr Walton asked in the House of Com-  
mons who her, in view of the use which  
Russian war-ships are making of ports in  
Crete and Egypt, the Government will  
communicate their views to the neutrals  
concerned in reference to the duties of  
neutral Ports for intercepting vessels of  
neutrals. Mr Balfour replied that the  
matter, which was of great importance,  
was receiving the attention of the Govern-  
ment.

#### CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)  
CANTON, March 4.

##### OPENING OF KONGMOON.

Mr Mass left here on Friday evening  
for Kongmoon. H.M.S. *Moore* arrived  
here on Saturday morning, and left yester-  
day morning for Kongmoon, with Mr  
Consul Fox on board, who will represent  
British interests.

The Local Committee of the British and  
Foreign Bible Society purpose holding a  
Conversazione in the Club Theatre to-day,  
at 4.30, to be opened by Mr C. W. Camp-  
bell, H. B. M. Consul General.

##### SCARCITY OF WATER.

The rainy season is setting in, but very  
fitfully as yet; from Saturday at 4 p.m.  
until Sunday morning the temperature fell  
20 deg.

There has been a great deal of sickness  
lately among the natives (but not fatal)  
owing to the long continued drought, and  
the brackish water they have been drink-  
ing. To alleviate this, official launches have  
been towing water boats to the vicinity  
of Shekmoon, where they filled up, and then  
towed back, distributing the water at  
various places in the front reach.

I hear the Canton A. D. C. are rehear-  
ing a play which will come off shortly.

Sir Frederick Tovey came off yesterday,  
but as yet, he has not been visible to  
Shanewites, we conclude he is viewing the  
City of drains.

Silk business is fairly quiet owing to the  
rise in exchange.

## CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM- PANY, LIMITED.

### General Meeting.

The thirty-fifth ordinary meeting of the  
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited,  
was held at 11.30 a.m. to-day, in the Com-  
pany's office, No. 3 Queen's Road, Central.  
Mr E. Goetz was in the chair, and there  
were also present Messrs N. A. Slesbe, E.  
Shelton, H. W. Slade, C. A. Tomes, E.  
Haupt (Directors), R. C. Wilcox, J.  
Wholesale, J. J. Leira, H. M. da Silva,  
A. V. Apear, C. Pemberton, Hart Buck,  
T. H. Reid, Chan Pat and G. L. Tomlin,  
Secretaries.

The Secretary read the notice convening  
the meeting, and the Chairman said:—  
Gentlemen,—The Director's report and  
statement of accounts having been in your  
hands for the past three weeks, I will now  
adopt the usual custom and take them  
read. It gives the Board much pleasure to  
present you with such a satisfactory result  
for the working of the year 1903, which is  
due to the loss ratio being 41.71 per cent.  
of the premium income. This is exceptionally  
light and cannot be expected every year.  
We propose to deal with the profit of  
\$212,888.88 as follows:—Dividend of 80  
and Bonus of 81 per share on 20,000  
shares \$140,000; B. Bonus to Contributors  
of \$100.25; Addition to Extra Reserve  
Fund, which will then stand at \$128,678.66  
as shown in the Balance Sheet 62,915.14;  
Transfer to Investment Fluctuation  
Account, to meet difference between cost  
and market value of Investments on 31st  
December, 1903, \$15,000; Write off loss on  
Sale of Rural Building Lots Nos. 42 and  
84, \$1,178







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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP  
NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE named—

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
YAMA, Via SHAL MOJI & KOBE (passing through the INLAND SEA).	Malacca	About 11th March.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	Coromandel	Noon, 12th March.	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI.	Singha	About 12th March.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP, Via S'PORE, PANG, CLO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES.	Baron	About 17th March.	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, March 9, 1904.

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## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Ningchow	22nd March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Antenor	24th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Oopack	31st March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Jason	5th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Achilles	10th April.

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	Ajax	15th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	Gladius	16th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	Parling	29th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	Machon	12th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	Telemachus	20th April.

\* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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Hongkong, March 9, 1904.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW, WEI-HAI-WEI, CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN	Kangsu	Mar. 11, Daylight.
MANILA	Kaipong	Mar. 12, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	Kwanse	11th March.
Kobe	Chingtu	21st March.
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS, VILLI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	Chingtu	8th April.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers	Sailing Dates, 1904.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 25th May.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 8th June.
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 22nd June.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 6th July.

\* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of March, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship  
ROON, Captain G. MEINERS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and  
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Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 14th inst. Cargo  
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Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than  
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VIA

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VICTORIA	3592	J. Truebridge	March 16.
TRENTON	9606	T. W. Garlick	March 28.
OLYMPIA	2837	A. Dixon	April 27.
LYRA	4417	G. V. William	May 4.
TACOMA	2812	M. Ridley	May 13.
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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	Mar. 19, at 10 a.m.
PERLA	1989	A. H. Noley	"	"

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, March 5, 1904.

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## JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

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REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

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STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS	JAVA, Via MACASSAR.	Second half of March.	JAPAN.	Second half of March.
TJILATJAP	JAPAN.	First half of March.	SINGAPORE AND JAVA PORTS.	First half of March.
TJIMAH	JAPAN.	First half of April.	SINGAPORE AND JAVA PORTS.	First half of April.

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TELEPHONE No. 201.

Hongkong, March 1, 1904.

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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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## THE Steamship EASTERN.

Captain W. ELLIS, will be despatched as  
above on FRIDAY, the 11th March, at  
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This well-known Steamer is specially  
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Chamber, which ensures the supply of  
Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the  
voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with  
the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon  
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N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of  
passengers the steamers of the Company have  
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For Passage, apply to  
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Hongkong, March 9, 1904.

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STEAM FOR BOMBAY  
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(Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN  
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Hongkong, March 8, 1904.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW  
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(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports.)

THE Steamship  
KENNERBEC,  
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For Freight and further information,  
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Oriental Freight Department,  
Hongkong, March 1, 1904.

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STEAM FOR  
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THE Company's Steamship  
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Captain STANLEY, will be despatched as  
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STEAMSTEAM TO  
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship  
TRIESTE,  
Captain MIZOGUCHI, will leave for the above  
places on WEDNESDAY, the 10th inst.,  
p.m.

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SANDER WIELER & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, March 9, 1904.

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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAM-  
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FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
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THE Steamship EASTERN,  
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A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon  
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